



News From

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MONROE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN STATEWIDE STOP-DWI MEMORIAL DAY CRACKDOWN ENFORCEMENT EFFORT

Impaired Driving Crackdown Runs May 27th – May 31st

Monroe County Executive **Cheryl Dinolfo** today announced that Monroe County police agencies will participate in a special enforcement effort to crackdown on impaired driving this Memorial Day weekend.

*"Memorial Day provides a wonderful opportunity for all of us to come together in recognition of our Armed Forces. As we spend time with our friends and families this weekend, let us not forget to do so safely and responsibly," said **Dinolfo**. "As County Executive, public safety is one of my top priorities. We are pleased that our County law enforcement agencies will be joining their partners throughout the state to ensure that our roads remain free from impaired drivers during this Memorial Day weekend."*

The statewide STOP-DWI Crackdown efforts start on May 27th and will end on May 31st due to the fact that Memorial Day weekend is historically a deadly period for impaired driving with 13% more fatalities than a non-holiday weekend. The New York State Police, County Sheriffs and municipal law enforcement agencies will collaborate across the state and will be out in force in this coordinated effort to reduce the number of alcohol related injuries and deaths during this period.

*"Monroe County's STOP-DWI Program has led to significant reductions in the number of fatalities caused by drunken drivers – but there are still too many lives being lost because of motor vehicle collisions caused by drunk and/or impaired drivers," said **Sheriff Patrick O'Flynn**. "We hope to reduce those numbers even further with highly visible enforcement efforts and highly publicized events like the Memorial Day holiday weekend crackdown."*

The Memorial Day Weekend Crackdown is one of many statewide enforcement initiatives promoted by the New York State STOP-DWI Association with additional funding from the STOP-DWI Foundation with a grant from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee. The Statewide STOP-DWI Crackdown Campaign also targets 4th of July and Labor Day Weekend, Halloween and the national Holiday Season in December.

“Please remember our Service Men and Women during this Memorial Day Weekend. Let’s keep everyone in our community safe. Download the STOP-DWI ‘Have a Plan’ app and make sure you and others have a safe way home on Memorial Day,” said **Peggy Duffy, Monroe County STOP-DWI Coordinator.**

To receive more information on responsible driving or to locate and call a taxi service in the area, residents can download the STOP-DWI “Have a Plan” mobile app at www.stopdwi.org/mobileapp.

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